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FAVORS INCREASED ARMY.

Committee Recommends Standing Army, Peace Strength 700,000.

Washington, March 2.—Final decision was reached by the House military committee late today upon its bill for the increase of the army, and it will be reported unanimously to the House at an early date. In round figures the measure would authorize the formation of an army composed of regulars, national guardsmen and Federal volunteers, with a total peace strength of 700,000 men.

It provides for a maximum strength of 170,000 fighting troops for the regular army, for a minimum of 425,000 for the national guard within five years and for organization of Federal volunteers through an extension of the summer training camp idea. It is estimated that 100,000 men can be enrolled in the latter force.

The bill retains provision for organization of industrial and technical reserves behind the fighting lines and authorizes the creation of a board of officers to control an industrial mobilization in time of war or imminence of war. It also provides that manufacturers of war materials must give immediate preference to government orders in war time, or when there is danger of war, under heavy penalty for failure to do so.

While the minimum strength of the regular army remained at 140,000, a change was made before the final vote to fix the maximum of fighting troops at 170,000, bringing the total authorized strength of the regular force, including the hospital corps and other non-combatant troops to 190,000.

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Fletcher's Report Encouraging.

Washington, March 2.—An encouraging report on the condition and efficiency of the nation's sea forces was given the house naval committee today by Admiral Frank Fletcher, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet.

In individual fighting efficiency, Admiral Fletcher declared, the dreadnaughts of the United States led the world, while in the skill of its officers and men the navy had no reason to fear comparison to that of any other power.

Describing some of the things the navy is doing in the light of lessons of the European war the admiral said one ship of the fleet recently had hurled seven out of 42 huge projectiles through a target 20 by 60 feet at a range of eight or nine miles, or 16,000 to 18,000 yards. The longest ranges used in naval engagements of the European war thus far, he explained, were 16,000 to 17,000 yards.

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FERTILIZERS.

Everybody realizes that the fertilizer problem is a serious one, not because there is no fertilizer for sale, as there is plenty for sale (except potash), but the price is high. If there ever was a time when the farmers should co-operate and buy fertilizer in car lots it is now. The local fertilizer dealers can sell cheaper in car lots for cash than they can by the sack, to be paid for next fall. It's just simply better business.

It is said that sometimes blessings come in disguise; it may be so with the fertilizer situation, if we grow summer and winter legumes and rye to turn into the soil. More attention is being paid to making and saving stable manure (best of all fertilizers) than ever before; more leaves and trash hauled to the fields than has been in five years. But some few farmers are missing the mark by buying salt and "Red Devil" lye as fertilizers. Salt (sodium chloride) does not contain either of the three (acid phosphate, ammonia or potash) plant foods applied as commercial fertilizer. The Red Devil lye contains about 21/100 of one per cent of potash, says the experiment station chemist—not enough, for fertilizer, to take home if a man gives it to you.

Some few farmers are burning their corn and cotton stalks. I hope it is because they haven't the tools or muscle to cut them up in the field. Cotton and corn stalks are worth from \$2 to \$8 per acre as fertilizer.

Dr. Keapp truly said: "If we could use less fire and more common sense, we could do better farming."

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Concress Items.

(Too Late for Last Week.)

Concress, Feb. 28.—Special: Mrs. Duffie Todd moved from this place to Picket Post community last week. Her friends here sincerely regret to give her up and hope she will like her new home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Barker spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Dufosse, of the Bounty Land section.

Miss Mary Lee Walker entertained the G. A.'s last Tuesday afternoon in honor of Washington's birthday.

C. F. Hetrick, of Wailalla, attended Sunday school here last Sunday and gave an interesting talk on Sunday school work. He also met with the officers and teachers immediately after Sunday school and talked on the benefits of a "cradle roll" in the Sunday school. We are thinking of organizing one in our school soon.

Jeremiah Julian and wife, of Return, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Abbott and family.

Miss Sue Annie Todd entertained a number of her friends last Tuesday night.

Oakway basket ball teams, both boys' and girls', played with Blue Ridge teams at Blue Ridge on last Wednesday. The scores were 18 to 33, in favor of Blue Ridge, for the boys. The girls scored 13 to 3, in favor of Oakway. This is the first public game that the Blue Ridge girls have played, but we think they will make good players if they keep up practice, but the Oakway girls are hard to beat.

At Picket Post, March 10th.

Next Friday night, March 10th, 1916, at Picket Post Graded School, the recitation and declamation contests for Fair and Field Day will be held.

A. H. Dagnall, Esq., of Anderson, will deliver an address also. We are very fortunate in having him to be with us.

On the same night there will be a box supper for the benefit of the school. All the young ladies of the community and vicinity are invited to come and bring a box. The young men are invited to come before they eat supper. Everybody come.

J. B. Compton.
Southern Employs Welfare Agent.

Atlanta, March 3.—The Southern Railway Company announced here yesterday the appointment of a welfare agent at a salary of \$3,600 per year to "provide its employees with better opportunities for moral, social and industrial uplift." Rev. Charles L. Bass, a Methodist minister, about 35 years old, was given the position.

THE STATE WAREHOUSE SYSTEM.

In the discussion of the Beattie-Laney Graders' bill, Senator J. Arthur Banks, of Calhoun county, took occasion to give to the State Senate a review of the State warehouse system, and graphically pictured the wonderful results which had been accomplished, not only in South Carolina, but throughout the entire South, "the beneficent influence of the system," he said, "having radiated to every farm in the South."

Senator Banks supported the State warehouse idea when it was first advanced by Senator McLaurin; he lent his efforts to the passage of the bill, and he has consistently and ably befriended the system since its establishment. It was he who accompanied Senator McLaurin to the money centers to make arrangements for financing the State receipts and establishing their character. His own warehouse had been placed in the system at the beginning, and in his address to the Senate he spoke not only with a clear conception of the general scope of the warehouse idea, but with an intimate and personal knowledge of the details of operation; of the struggles against the insurance trust and corporation interests, and of the slow, sure steps towards low insurance rates and low interest charges.

The most striking thing about the State warehouse system to him, he said, was the revelation of the possibilities of work for the common good by an individual who gave of his gifts of mind and heart. John L. McLaurin, he said, had that rare combination of the brilliant imagination with the ability to put his dreams into practical operation, and with a singular devotion to the common good.

He showed how one of the most serious obstacles to the organization of the system was the unreasonable rates of insurance imposed upon the country cotton by insurance companies in a hide-bound combination, with a rate of 3 1/2 per cent prevailing, and with no possibility of breaking into the combination by individual effort. But the genius of the State Warehouse Commissioner finally succeeded in securing a \$1.58 rate, with pro rata cancellation, "which made it possible for us to carry our cotton through the State warehouse system, in our own warehouses, on our own farms, at one-third of the cost of carrying the cotton under the old system of public warehouses—in other words, one dollar a bale a year, instead of three dollars a bale a year."

"After the insurance feature was worked out," he continued, "the problem to be solved was to get money at reasonable rates to finance the cotton. Money was very scarce in the South at that time, and even those of us who were best situated were unable to turn our cotton into a liquid asset by reason of the fact that we could not secure the money needed even if we paid as high as 8 per cent for it."

"The State Warehouse Commissioner, who had made a careful study of the idea of that law which seemed to guarantee every citizen of the United States a sufficient amount of money, upon reasonable rates, to conduct a legitimate business, and he made an appeal to the Federal government for relief upon that plan. He and I together, in his office, went over the situation and decided to write a letter to W. P. G. Harding, of the Federal Reserve Board, asking his assistance."

Senator Banks paid a tribute to Mr. Harding as an official who had

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If your stomach doesn't take care of your liberal limit without rebellion; if your food is a damage instead of a help, remember the quickest, surest, most harmless relief is Pape's Diapiesin, which costs only fifty cents for a large case at drug stores. It's truly wonderful—it digests food and sets things straight, so gently and easily that it is really astonishing. Please, for your sake, don't go on and on with a weak, disordered stomach; it's so unnecessary.—Adv.

proved his devotion to the interests of Southern agriculture.

"We went on to Washington and went over the situation with Mr. Harding," he said, "and he gave us a letter of introduction to the biggest financial institutions in New York, which letter I want to quote in full."

Here Senator Banks read the letter to Mr. Harding, in which the State Warehouse system was characterized as a model system.

"In addition to this," he said, "Senator McLaurin wrote a letter to the President of the United States and enlisted his interest in the cause. He then took the matter up with the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. McAdoo, who wrote a letter to Senator McLaurin pledging his assistance and endorsing the State warehouse system. The net result of these efforts," he said, "was the placing of thirty millions of dollars in Southern banks to finance the cotton of the South, accompanied with an order that this money should be loaned at a rate of interest not in excess of 6 per cent, thus enabling the Southern cotton farmer to carry his cotton at charges less than half of what he would have had to pay had it not been for the State warehouse system."

"This reveals the wonderful possibilities of what may be done for the masses of the people by a department of the State handled by a man devoted to the common interests in the cause of agriculture. Had it not been for the State warehouse system, as evolved by McLaurin, the dreamer, and put into operation by canny Scotch practical gifts, so beautifully interlarded and working through the sound theories of the 'dealist, who would have taken up this work and accomplished this result? And even if some one had been found with the brains and the devotion to do it, could anything have been done unless the one who attempted it was clothed with the dignity which the State confers?"

"Not only was the State of South Carolina saved thousands and thousands of dollars in that time of great depression, but the beneficent influence of the work done by this State in organizing this department radiated to every cotton farm in the entire South."

"This is the work," he concluded, "that has been done by the State warehouse system, whether it be a 'departure in Democracy,' as it is termed by its originator, or a 'departure outside of Democracy,' as it is termed by its enemies."

A synopsis of Senator Banks' address cannot do it justice. The Senator from Calhoun is one of the clearest thinkers in public life in South Carolina to-day, and his address was a magnificent presentation, supported by the facts with which he is thoroughly familiar, of a department of the State government which for several months past has been attracting the attention of the business men of the nation and of its great thinkers in political economy.

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Curious Freak of Box Car.

(Yorkville Enquirer.)

Here is a strange and unusual railroad story. The facts have come to The Enquirer from a gentleman who made a personal investigation of the circumstances, which go to prove them. During last Monday night a pair of trucks on a freight train out of Royster, the Southern's yard at Columbia, for Charleston, jumped the tracks, rode the ties for 13 miles, and smashed the heads off of 30 keps of spikes, and then got back on the track again without wrecking the train. The tie-riding and spike-smashing commenced just as the train was getting well under way out of Royster, and continued on down the line to a point where the railroad track crosses a public highway at a grade level. The marks on the plank at the crossing, to say nothing of the discontinuance of the damage beyond, show how the truck was thrown back into its proper position. The estimate of the number of ruined spikes involved comes from one of the track bosses as the result of an actual count.

French Mine Sweeper Lost.

Have, France, March 2.—The French mine sweeper Aurevoir was subordinated on Tuesday. The crew was saved, advices state.

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CAMDEN MAN SUICIDES Receiver for Chick Springs Company.

After Trying to Kill His Wife in a Fit of Despondency.

Camden, March 2.—R. Lee Johnson, a white man about 15 years of age, of Bethune, this county, in a despondent mood, killed himself today after having assaulted his wife with an axe. According to the report, a neighbor came to the Johnson home and Johnson expressed his gratitude at his timely arrival, stating, it is claimed, that he had intended upon finishing his shave to end his life, but that he would end it some time during the day. No attention was paid to this. Later in the day the children were sent on various errands and Johnson secured a shell for his single-barrel shotgun. Going to the rear of his house, he cut part of an axe handle off, and as Mrs. Johnson went to the yard from the kitchen, where she was preparing dinner, struck her in the head with the axe. He then turned the gun on himself, blowing the back of his head partly off, dying almost instantly.

When the body was discovered one shoe had been removed and it is supposed Johnson discharged the gun by pulling the trigger with his toe. There were no eye-witnesses to the affair.

Johnson had for some time been suffering from cancer on his lip and realized his condition and is said to have grown despondent at times. Johnson leaves one grown son and three other children. At 9 o'clock to-night Mrs. Johnson's condition was considered serious, having been unconscious since being struck. She will be carried to Columbia to a hospital for treatment.

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Wentzell Sunk, 18 Drowned.

London, March 2.—The steamship Alexander Wentzel has been sunk. Eighteen of the crew were drowned and 11 rescued.

(The Alexander Wentzel was reported in last available shipping records as having arrived at Cardiff on January 23. The steamer was of 2,838 gross tons, was 320 feet long and 45 feet beam. She was built at West Hartlepool in 1899, and was owned by the Northern Steamship Co., of Petrograd.

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